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IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner, comprising:

a tuner for inputting a <u>plurality of channels of</u> radio frequency television signals on a <u>plurality of channels</u> and outputting a base-band television signal of any one of the channels a <u>designated channels</u>;

a modulator for modulating the base-band television signal outputted from said tuner;

an outputter for outputting the radio frequency television signal modulated by said modulator onto to a video displaying apparatus with tuner;

a searcher for searching a having no station an unused channel from among the plurality of channels;

a first setter for setting a frequency of the having no station unused channel detected by said searcher to said modulator; and

a presetter for presetting a having station used channel included in the <u>plurality of</u> channels to said tuner after completing <u>a</u> frequency setting <u>operation by said first setter</u> to said modulator.

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Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner

according to claim 1, further comprising:

an instructor for instructing suspension of a presetting operation, which is to be enabled

after completing the frequency setting to said modulator operation by said first setter and instruct

suspension of presetting; and

a disabler for disabling said presetter in response to an instruction of said instructor.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner

according to elaims claim 1, wherein said search searcher includes a determiner to determine as

to having station/having no station a used/unused status for predetermined channels that should

have no station be the unused channel, and

said first setter setting sets a frequency of any one of the predetermined channels based

on a result of determination by said determiner.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner

according to claim 3, further comprising:

a first displayer for selectively displaying channel numbers of the predetermined channels

at a predetermined time interval when each of the predetermined channels is not determined as

having no station having the unused status by said determiner;

a selector for selecting any one of the predetermined channels; and

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a second setter for setting a frequency of <u>a</u> channel selected by said selector to said modulator.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner according to claim 4, further comprising a second displayer for displaying a channel number of a frequency having been set in said modulator.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner according to claim 3, further comprising:

a generator for generating a character signal;

a combiner for combing the character signal generated by said generator with the base-band television signal outputted from said tuner; and

a third setter for selectively setting frequencies of the predetermined channels to said modulator at a predetermined time interval.

Claim 7 (Original): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner according to claim 6, further comprising a controller for controlling said generator to generate a character signal related to a frequency having been set by said third setter.

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Claim 8 (Original): A video recording/reproducing apparatus with tuner according to claim 6, further comprising a third displayer for displaying a channel number of a frequency having been set by third setter.